

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:307

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LIFTING OF BAN ON EXPORT OF MILK

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the ban imposed on export of Milk and Milk Powder has been removed despite its shortage in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has received any memorandum from Milk Cooperatives in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to increase the production and availability of Milk and Milk Powder in the country in order to check its rising prices?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN)

- (a): No sir. The ban on export of milk powder lapsed on 30.9.2007 in view of availability of sufficient milk during flush season.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c): No sir.
- (d): Does not arise.
- (e): This Government is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme titled "National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding (NPCBB)" for increasing milk production apart from the schemes namely 'Intensive Dairy Development Programme', 'Strengthening Infrastructure for Quality and Clean Milk Production', 'Assistance to Cooperatives' and 'Dairy/Poultry Venture Capital Fund' which also contribute towards dairy development. Government is regularly reviewing the availability of milk in the country to ensure its availability at reasonable price.